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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SECRETARY

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR KING HUSSEIN

REF: AMMAN 3359 AND 3360

1. PLEASE CONVEY FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM ME TO KING
HUSSEIN, AND INFORM PM RIFAI:

2. BEGIN MESSAGE:

"YOUR MAJESTY:

"THANK YOU FOR SENDING ME THROUGH AMBASSADOR PICKERING
THE MOST HELPFUL REPORT ON YOUR RECENT TALKS WITH
PRESIDENT SADAT. I HAVE CONVEYED YOUR MAJESTY'S
VIEWS AND COMMENTS TO PRESIDENT FORD AND ALSO WANT TO
THANK YOU ON HIS BEHALF.

"IT IS ALWAYS IMPORTANT TO US TO UNDERSTAND FULLY
PRESIDENT SADAT'S CONCERNS, TO WHICH WE ATTACH
GREAT WEIGHT, AND TO HAVE YOUR MAJESTY'S VALUED
INSIGHTS AND JUDGEMENTS. THE INFORMATION AND VIEWS YOU
HAVE CONVEYED WILL BE PARTICULARLY USEFUL AS WE
PREPARE FOR THE MEETINGS IN SALZBURG BETWEEN
PRESIDENT FORD AND PRESIDENT SADAT. WE SHALL
CERTAINLY REAFFIRM IN THE MOST EMPHATIC WAY TO
PRESIDENT SADAT, AS WE HAVE TO YOU, OUR DETERMINATION

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TO AVOID A STALEMATE IN THE PEACEMAKING PROCESS AND

TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS IN
EVERY POSSIBLE WAY.

"ON A MORE PERSONAL NOTE, YOUR MAJESTY, IT WAS A
SPECIAL PLEASURE TO HAVE HAD THE HONOR OF YOUR
PRESENCE IN OUR COUNTRY AGAIN SO RECENTLY. YOUR
MAJESTY'S VISITS HAVE COME TO BE A HIGHLIGHT
FOR ALL OF US, NOT ONLY FOR THE BENEFITS WE
GAIN FROM YOUR COUNSEL BUT BECAUSE OF THE
OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW A FRIENDSHIP THAT HAS COME TO MEAN

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VERY MUCH TO US. WARM PERSONAL REGARDS,
HENRY A. KISSINGER. END MESSAGE.

3. YOU SHOULD ALSO GIVE KING AND RIFAI FOLLOWING
ORAL REPORT FROM ME ON MY VIENNA MEETINGS WITH
GROMYKO: MIDDLE EAST WAS DISCUSSED DURING LAST SESSION
TUESDAY, FOLLOWING EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS OF EUROPEAN
AND BILATERAL MATTERS. GROMYKO'S PRINCIPAL EMPHASIS
WAS ON SOVIET DESIRE TO PARTICIPATE WITH US IN ALL
FUTURE MIDDLE EAST MEETINGS AND NEGOTIATIONS. HE
ALSO PROPOSED THAT WE JOIN IN AN INVITATION TO PLO TO
PARTICIPATE AT GENEVA. I TOLD GROMYKO WE WERE
PREPARED TO COOPERATE WITH SOVIETS BUT CAN MAKE NO
DECISIONS UNTIL WE HAVE COMPLETED OUR CONSULTATIONS
WITH THE PARTIES AND FINISHED OUR POLICY REASSESSMENT.

I CONSIDERED HIS PROPOSAL ON PLO PARTICIPATION A TRICK, EXPLAINED THAT IT WOULD CAUSE US INSURMOUNTABLE DOMESTIC PROBLEMS AND SAID THIS ISSUE SHOULD BE DEFERRED IF WE ARE TO AVOID AN IMMEDIATE STALEMATE. GROMYKO AND I AGREED TO MEET AGAIN, PROBABLY IN THE FIRST PART OF JULY BY WHICH TIME OUR POLICY REASSESSMENT WILL BE COMPLETED, FOR A FURTHER EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. I DID NOT, HOWEVER, MAKE ANY COMMITMENTS ON EITHER SUBSTANCE OR PROCEDURE SO FAR AS FUTURE PEACEMAKING EFFORTS ARE CONCERNED. KISSINGER

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